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REQUEST FOR

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	740756-2255
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First Named Inventor	Jun KOYAMA et al.
Group Art Unit	2814
Examiner Name	Howard Weiss
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114							
	a.		Prev	sly submitted			
		i.		Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on			
		ii.		Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on			
		iii.		Other			
	b.	×	Encl	osed			
		i.	×	Preliminary Amendment/Reply iv. Submission of Formal Drawings			
		ii.		Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) v. Petition for THIRD Month Extension of Time			
		iii.		Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)			
2.	N	1iscel	llaneous				
	a.		Susp	pension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)			
	b.		Othe	er			
3.	F	ees	The	e RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.			
	a.	×		Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, \$1,300, additional fees which may be required, or credit			
				overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-2380. An additional copy is enclosed.			
		i.	_	RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)			
		ii.	_	Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)			
		iii.	Ш	Other			
	b.			ck in the amount of \$ enclosed			
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MEMORY ARRAY

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Group Art Unit: 2814

) Examiner: Howard Weiss

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop <u>AMENDMENT</u> Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed July 30, 2004, please consider the amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application as follows.